

Europe an Armed Camp---Triple Entente vs. Triple Alliance



FIELD MARSHAL EARL KITCHENER.
It is expected, will be chosen to lead the military forces of Great Britain.

CURRENCY SUFFICIENT FOR BUSINESS DEMANDS

Secretary McAdoo Makes Formal Statement That Country's Financial Condition Is Good.

THE GIVEN WIDE POWER

May, in His Discretion, Issue Additional Bank Currency Exceeding Even \$500,000,000—No Doubt of Ability to Care for Situation.

WASHINGTON, August 4.—After two days of conferences with bankers and careful investigation of conditions throughout the country, Secretary McAdoo in a formal statement to-night declared the financial situation to be excellent and announced there would be sufficient currency to move the crops and meet all demands of business.

The passage by unanimous vote of the House and Senate this afternoon of the amendment to the Federal Reserve act, the statement says, "whereby the Secretary of the Treasury is vested with power to issue additional national bank currency exceeding even \$500,000,000, as in his judgment may be necessary to protect the business situation in this country, puts at rest any question as to the ability of the banks to take care of the situation.

"There need be no fear whatever of insufficient currency to move the crops and to meet the demands of business. The bill, as amended, authorizes the secretary, in his discretion, to permit national banks to have outstanding a maximum of circulating notes equivalent to 125 per cent of their unimpaired capital and surplus. This provision will enable banks, which have now outstanding currency equal to their capital stock to secure a large amount of additional circulation. Applications have been received from national currency associations throughout the country for additional currency, and the applications are being promptly responded to. In many cases banks have applied for additional currency merely as a precautionary measure.

"The situation throughout the country is excellent, and no greater testimony to the inherent strength of our financial and economic position and condition could be given than the way in which the country has withstood the shock of the greatest European disturbance that has occurred in the last 100 years.

"President Wilson to-night signed the amendment to the Aldrich-Vreeland law, vesting the Secretary of the Treasury with discretionary power as to the amount of currency to be issued under that act.

BRITISH RESERVISTS ARE FIRST TO SAIL.
NEW ORLEANS, August 4.—Although Great Britain was the last of the European powers to issue orders for the mobilization of her army, British reservists were the first to sail from this port to join their regiments at home, when ten officers left here to-day on board the British liner Antillian for Liverpool. The Antillian also carried a cargo of wheat and lumber.

A party of fifteen German naval reservists also left here to-night by train to New York.

FRENCH PREMIER MAKES STATEMENT TO CHAMBER.
PARIS, August 4.—Premier Viviani made the French Premier's statement of the war in the Chamber of Deputies to-day. His remarks created the deepest enthusiasm. He detailed the events of the past fortnight, and "irrefragably and logically justified the acts of the French government."

"During his remarks the Premier said: 'France has been unjustly provoked; she did not seek the war; she has done all in her power to avert it. Since war was forced upon her, she will defend herself against Germany and any other power who takes part by the side of Germany in the conflict.'

"Against an attack which violates all the law of equity and all the rights of nations we have taken all necessary dispositions."

The house turned toward the Russian Minister, M. Iswolsky, who was in the diplomatic gallery and cheered Russia.

The Premier continued: "Belgium has 450,000 men in arms prepared to defend the neutrality and independence of their native land. The English fleet is mobilized to the smallest vessel, and the English army is mobilizing."

The deputies arose again, turned toward the British ambassador, Sir Francis Bertie, who was sitting in the gallery, and cheered wildly.

Queen Reviews Troops.
THE HAGUE, August 4.—The army paraded past the queen at Queen Wilhelmina reviewed the troops from a balcony.

PARLIAMENT CALLED TO CONSIDER ACTION

Representatives of People Will Decide in Canada Measures of Offense and Defense.

WAR TAXES ARE PROBABLE

Domination Is Expected Enemy to Make Attacks on Its Border Towns, and Precautions Are Being Taken to Protect Them.

OTTAWA, August 4.—The Canadian government has decided to summon Parliament to deal with the war situation. The date for the meeting of Parliament is Tuesday, August 11.

The government decided that the representatives of the people should be assembled to express the representative voice of the country on measures for offense and defense.

The summons to the Senators and Representatives was sent out by telegraph immediately after a cabinet council to-night.

As Canada's revenue has been falling and borrowing in England is impossible, it is expected the government will impose special war taxes.

The news that a state of war exists between England and Germany was received at the capital without popular excitement. Premier Borden summoned a meeting of the cabinet to take administrative steps made necessary by war conditions. It was decided to vote the funds needed to raise and equip a force of 20,000 men, and if necessary dispatch them to join the British armies at the front. Armed guards to-night were placed at strategic points.

There are 4,000 men under arms at Esquimaux, Quebec, St. John, Sydney and Halifax. The guards have orders not to shoot any one who attempts to interfere with the facilities. The troops will be assembled at Valcartier, the military training ground near Quebec.

A message from King George to-day expressed appreciation for the spontaneous support offered the mother country.

The orders for mobilization of a Canadian army division of 23,000 men at Quebec will be issued to-morrow.

An official memorandum says: "Parliament has been summoned for August 11. Portions of the militia have been called out to protect the coasts and to safeguard public property. All ships available in the naval service have been placed on active service. The naval volunteer force also has been called into active service."

"There has been a rumor that Austrian steamships, presumably merchant ships, are meditating an attack on one of the Marconi stations, and the necessary precautions have been taken."

SPINNERS ARE URGED TO ARRANGE CURTAILMENT.
LONDON, August 4.—The Federation of Cotton Spinners has urged owners of spindles engaged on American cotton to agree to a three weeks' suspension of work before September to arrange for the curtailment as speedily as possible.

The Cotton Exchange at Manchester will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, as dealers have found it impossible to transact business.

RED CROSS SERVICES OFFERED TO BELLIGERENTS.
WASHINGTON, August 4.—The American Red Cross decided late to-day formally to tender its services to all the nations involved in the European war. The international relief bureau will meet to-morrow to consider ways and means.

Appeals for funds to carry out relief work will be issued promptly.

Plans of the proposed undertaking include every branch of the society. Medical officers and nurses trained for relief work, will be placed at the disposal of the powers accepting the offer of assistance.

A joint meeting to-morrow of the international and war relief boards of the society was called to-day.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR CARRYING U. S. MAIL.
WASHINGTON, August 4.—Temporary arrangements were made to-day for handling mail for Europe under conditions imposed by the withdrawal of lines as a result of the war. Should all the big British, German and French ships be tied up, at least one transatlantic mail a week would be assured by American steamers. Ships flying the Italian, Dutch, Norwegian or Swedish flags also would be available. The international money order service between the United States and Belgium to-day was suspended at Belgium's request.



GERMAN INFANTRYMEN IN TRENCHES ON FRENCH BORDER.

KING GEORGE ADDRESSES MESSAGE TO COLONIES

LONDON, August 4.—King George to-day addressed a message to the British colonies expressing appreciation of their spontaneous assurances that they will give the fullest support to the motherland.

"They recall to me," His Majesty says, "the generous self-sacrifice extended in the past to the mother country. I shall be strengthened in the position and great responsibility which rests on me by the confident belief that in this time of trial my empire will be united, calm and resolute, and trusting in God."

KING'S PROCLAMATION WILDLY CHEERED BY CROWD

LONDON, August 4.—A proclamation by King George, commanding the mobilization of the British army was read early to-day from the steps of the Royal Exchange. A huge crowd cheered and sang the British national anthem. The proclamation, which bears the signature of King George, says:

"Whereas the present state of public affairs in Europe is such as to constitute an imminent national danger, we strictly command and enjoin our subjects to obey and conform to all instructions and regulations which may be issued by us or by any officer of our army or navy, or by any other person acting in our behalf for securing the objects aforesaid, and not to hinder or obstruct in any way the carrying out in accordance with such instructions."

JAPAN PREPARES FOR WAR

TOKYO, August 4.—A proclamation issued to-day by the government hopes for the speedy restoration of peace. It states that Japan's desire to remain neutral, but says that should England participate in hostility and the purpose of the Anglo-Japanese alliance be threatened, Japan may be compelled to take measures for the fulfillment of its obligations.

The proclamation was issued after an extraordinary session of the cabinet, and was generally interpreted as preparing the people for the action of the Japanese navy as soon as Great Britain's decision had been announced.

The German fleet is very active around Kiaochow, and has already captured a Russian battle steamer. It is pointed out that Kiaochow may possibly be occupied by the Japanese in the event of a defeat of the German fleet in the Far East, thus closing the Pacific Ocean to war vessels of Russia and Great Britain and permitting them to proceed to Europe undisturbed if they desire to do so.

Extraordinary excitement prevails in Tokyo.

SUCCESS IN CONCEALING PURPOSES OF CAMPAIGNS

WASHINGTON, August 4.—Military experts here agree to-night that if the purpose of the general staffs of the French and German armies is to conceal the objects of their campaigns until the completion of mobilization, they have succeeded wonderfully. Officers of the army general staff said no facts had appeared in news dispatches or official reports which permit them to hazard a guess at what is in the minds of the great French and German strategists.

American officers are watching with particular interest Germany's attitude toward Belgium. It is pointed out that, even without the redemption of the Belgian guarantee of neutrality, the Belgians can give a good account of themselves. During the Franco-Prussian War the little nation turned out an army of a quarter of a million men. On a war footing, the Belgium troops now number 275,000, according to the last technical report.

FORCES OF TURKEY ARE BEING MOBILIZED.
LONDON, August 4.—Turkey has informed Great Britain that the army of the Ottoman empire are being mobilized. The mobilization, Turkey says, is a precautionary measure, and Turkey will remain absolutely neutral.

In some quarters, however, it is believed this step is taken to conceal Turkey in the fear that the Russian Black Sea fleet will attempt to force the Bosporus, and that Russia may even land troops on Turkish shores of the Black Sea and seize Constantinople.

Leipzig Still at Mazatlan.
SAN FRANCISCO, August 4.—Wireless advices received here to-day from the American flag ship report that the German cruiser Leipzig still was at Mazatlan last night.

CANADIAN SOO CANAL GUARDED DAY AND NIGHT.
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICH., August 4.—The Canadian Soo ship canal is being guarded day and night by secret service agents of the Dominion of Canada. Shipping in the Great Lakes would probably be affected if the canal locks were tampered with.

Owes His Life to This Lung Remedy

A lingering cough or cold which does not yield to ordinary treatment should be a warning. Preventive measures should be taken at once. In many cases Eckman's Alternative has brought about recovery. Read this:

"St. John's Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. 'Gentlemen: In the year of 1891 I was taken with a heavy cold and a nasty short cough; consequently I failed in health. I then went to the Catskills, and seemed to get better, but the cough still kept up. I stayed there for one year, and then went to a farm near Jersey City, a very sick man. About the time of my return my health improved. I am now nearly two years very high. It is now nearly two years since I first took it. I am now well, and I dare say that I would have been buried long ago if it had not been for Eckman's Alternative.' (Abbreviated.)

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Day's Developments in Washington

WASHINGTON, August 4.—President Wilson and his Cabinet and Congress were busy to-day with plans and legislative measures for the relief of Americans abroad, the continuation of transatlantic shipping to move crops, and the stabilizing of domestic financial conditions.

The President asked Congress to appropriate \$2,500,000 in addition to the \$250,000 granted yesterday for Americans in Europe. Action will be taken by both houses to-morrow.

The armored cruiser Tennessee will sail on Thursday for various European ports with this sum, as well as several millions in gold from New York bankers, all designed to give Americans immediate funds and facilitate their departure.

Official notice came from the German government that Americans would not be permitted to leave the German empire during the period of army mobilization, which will continue for ten days.

Conferences were in progress throughout the day at the State, Treasury, Navy and War Departments on relief plans. Arrangements for steamships to carry Americans home were begun.

President Wilson signed the bill amending the Aldrich-Vreeland law to place more than \$1,000,000,000 into domestic circulation, if needed to prevent financial stringency.

The President issued a proclamation of neutrality, warning United States citizens of their rights and duties on account of the existence of a state of war in Austria, Germany, Serbia, Russia and France.

The American Red Cross decided to place its army of nurses, physicians, etc., at the disposal of the powers at war.

The Senate is expected to pass to-morrow the bill adopted by the House admitting foreign-built ships to American registry.

NUMBERS OF GERMANS ARE TAKEN PRISONERS

BELFORT, FRANCE, August 4.—A number of Germans were taken prisoners to-day and brought into Belfort. A squadron of the Eleventh French Dragoons stationed in Belfort rendered honors at Juncy to a German lieutenant, the first victim of actual conflict between France and Germany.

Several hundred Alsatians, Swiss and Italians have enlisted here, and have demanded to be sent to the advanced outposts.

Guard Canal and Locks.
TORONTO, August 4.—Orders were received from Ottawa to-night to detail sufficient troops to guard the Welland Canal and locks.



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High Admiral Alfred P. T. von Tirpitz, of the naval armada and naval forces of Germany.

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